



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
TERRI LYNN LAND, SECRETARY OF STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
LANSING

**Meeting  
of the  
Board of State Canvassers**

**November 27, 2006**

**Law Library, G. Mennen Williams Building  
Lansing, Michigan**

**Called to order:** 10:17 a.m.

**Members present:** Katherine DeGrow – Chairperson  
James L. Waters – Vice-Chairperson  
Lyn R. Bankes  
Erane C. Washington-Kendrick

**Members absent:** None.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of meeting minutes for approval.

**Board action on agenda item:** As there were no requested revisions or corrections, Ms. DeGrow announced the approval of the minutes prepared for the Board's meeting of September 8, 2006.

**Agenda item:** Canvass and certification of the November 7, 2006 general election.

**Board action on agenda item:** Motion that Board certify the results of the November 7, 2006 general election. Moved by Bankes; supported by Waters. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of legislative initiative petition submitted for approval as to form by Medical and Recreational Peace, P.O. Box 102, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827-0102.

**Board action on agenda item:** Motion that Board approve the form of the legislative initiative petition with the understanding that the Board's approval does not extend to the substance of the proposal which appears on the petition; the substance of the summary of the proposal which appears on the signature side of the petition; or the manner in which the proposal language is affixed to the petition. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Bankes. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Such other and further business as may be properly presented to the Board.

**Speakers:** Michael-David BenDor and Pat Foster addressed the Board members to express their concern over the fact that Michigan election law does not provide for random post-election “hand-count” audits to confirm tabulator accuracy.

Mr. BenDor further expressed his objections to the rejection of the recount petitions submitted by Lynn Meadows, Green Party candidate for Secretary of State. Mr. Thomas advised the Board that the Secretary of State does not have the authority to honor a recount petition unless the requested recount holds the potential for impacting the outcome of race involved.

**Motion:** Motion that Board grant the Bureau staff members the authority to represent the Board at any recounts requested on the state level. Moved by Waters; supported by Bankes. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Adjourned:** 11:19 a.m.

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Chairperson

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